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## GRADES

## §29.3646 Wrappers (A Group).

This group consists of leaves from the Heavy Leaf and the Thin Leaf groups. Cured leaves of the A group are very elastic, have small- to medium-sized and blending fibers, and show a low percentage of injury affecting wrapper yield.

Grades	Grade names, minimum specifications, and tolerances
A1F	Choice Quality Medium-brown Wrap- pers. Ripe, medium body, open leaf structure, smooth, rich in oil, clear fin- ish, deep color intensity elastic, spready, and 20 percent of leaves
A2F	not lower than B2 or C2. Fine Quality Medium-brown Wrappers Ripe, medium body, open leaf structure, smooth, rich in oil, clear fin- ish, deep color intensity, elastic, spready and 30 percent of leaves not lower than B2 or C2.
A3F	Good Quality Medium-brown Wrappers. Ripe, medium body, open leaf structure, smooth, oily, clear finish, deep color intensity, elastic, normal width, and 40 percent of leaves not lower than B3 or C3.
A1R	Choice Quality Reddish-brown Wrap- pers.  Ripe, medium body, open leaf structure, smooth, rich in oil, clear fin- ish, deep color intensity, elastic, spready, and 20 percent of leaves not lower than B2 or C2.
A2R	Fine Quality Reddish-brown Wrappers. Ripe, medium body, open leaf structure, smooth, rich in oil, clear finish, deep color intensity, elastic, spready and 30 percent of leaves not lower than B2 or C2.
A3R	Good Quality Reddish-brown Wrappers. Ripe, medium body, open leaf structure, smooth, oily, clear finish, deep color intensity, elastic, normal width, and 40 percent of leaves not lower than B3 or C3.

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## $\S 29.3647$ Heavy Leaf (B Group).

This group consists of leaves which are medium to heavy in body and show little or no ground injury.

Grades	Grade names, minimum specifications, and tolerances
B1F	Choice Quality Medium-brown Heavy Leaf.  Ripe medium body, open leaf structure, smooth, rich in oil, clear fin- ish, deep color intensity, semielastic, spready, 90 percent uniform, and 10 percent injury tolerance.

Grades	Grade names, minimum specifications, and tolerances
B2F	Fine Quality Medium-brown Heavy Leaf.
	Ripe, medium body, open leaf structure, smooth, rich in oil, clear fin- ish, deep color intensity, semielastic, spready, 85 percent uniform, and 15
B3F	percent injury tolerance.  Good Quality Medium-brown Heavy Leaf.
	Mature, medium body, firm leaf structure, crepy, oily, normal finish, moderate color intensity, semielastic, normal width 80 percent uniform, and 20 percent injury toleance.
B4F	Fair Quality Medium-brown Heavy Leaf. Mature, medium body, close leaf structure, rough, lean in oil, dull fin- ish, pale color intensity, inelastic, nar-
B5F	row, 70 percent uniform, and 30 per- cent injury tolerance. Low Quality Medium-brown Heavy Leaf. Underripe, medium body, close leaf structure, rough, lean in oil, dull fin-
B1R	ish, pale color intensity, inelastic, nar- row, 60 percent uniform, and 40 per- cent injury tolerance. Choice Quality Reddish-brown Heavy Leaf.
	Ripe, heavy, open leaf structure, smooth, rich in oil, clear finish, deep color intensity, semielastic, spready, 90 percent uniform, and 10 percent
B2R	injury tolerance.  Fine Quality Reddish-brown Heavy Leaf.  Ripe, heavy, open leaf structure,
B3R	smooth, rich in oil, clear finish, deep color intensity, semi-elastic, spready, 85 percent uniform, and 15 percent injury tolerance.  Good Quality Reddish-brown Heavy
501	Leaf.  Mature, heavy, firm leaf structure, crepy, oily, normal finish, moderate color intensity, semielastic, normal width, 80 percent uniform, and 20 percent injury tolerance.
B4R	Fair Quality Reddish-brown Heavy Leaf. Mature, heavy, close leaf structure, rough, lean in oil, dull finish, pale color intensity, inelastic, narrow, 70 percent uniform, and 30 percent in-
B5R	jury tolerance. Low Quality Reddish-brown Heavy Leaf. Underripe, heavy, close leaf struc- ture, rough, lean in oil, dull finish, pale color intensity, inelastic, narrow,
B1D	60 percent uniform, and 40 percent injury tolerance. Choice Quality Dark-brown Heavy Leaf. Ripe, heavy, open leaf structure, smooth, rich in oil, normal finish, deep color intensity, semi-elastic, spready, 90 percent uniform, and 10
B2D	percent injury tolerance. Fine Quality Dark-brown Heavy Leaf. Ripe, heavy, open leaf structure, smooth, rich in oil, normal finish, deep color intensity, semielastic, spready 85 percent uniform, and 15
B3D	percent injury tolerance. Good Quality Dark-brown Heavy Leaf.